

In the Drawings:

Amended and formal drawings are submitted herewith.

REMARKS

Drawing Objection – 37 CFR § 1.83A

As requested by the Examiner, Applicants have amended the Figures to include new Figure 5 which illustrates the feature of computing "a single value for a bid by adjusting the numerical value using the weighting factor and summing the adjusted values, the single numerical value being used to determine whether to accept the bid or not". Original Figures 5 to 12 have been renumbered as Figures 6 to 13. References to the Figures in the specification have been renumbered accordingly.

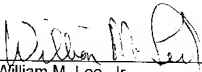
Applicants submit that the feature of "a mapping for converting respective qualitative attributes for a part of a bid into numerical values representing the qualitative attributes" is illustrated in Figure 4.

All is submitted to be in order, and a Notice of Allowance is solicited.

An appropriate Petition for Extension of Time is also submitted herewith.

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Respectfully submitted,



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